

## **DRAFT**

### **Minutes of Meeting**

**June 7, 2010**

**Present:** Des Fitzgerald, Rick Knowlton, Peter Kalajian, Jeff Lewis, Bill Kelly, Jeff Kuller, Roberta Smith, Sid Lindsley

**Non members:** Jim Mays (Rockport), Scott

**Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm**

#### **Topics:**

Approval of draft minutes from the May 3 meeting.

#### **Review and discussion of the upcoming presentation to the Selectboard on June 15 by George Baker of Maine Coast Community Wind.**

Having the outline of the presentation MCCW plans to present, the committee discussed several aspects of the outline to address some questions members and non-members had. Much of the discussion revolved around the issue of a Competitive Energy Supplier and how Constellation Energy might fill that role in the option MCCW suggests as the most promising viable form for a potential project of Ragged Mountain. Other topics of discussion included potential size of any viable megawatt scale project as well as the understanding that even if a project would be limited to town land in final form, it is vitally important to realize that the production phase of any megawatt scale project would almost inevitably require the use of private and/or public lands in both Rockport and Hope. It is, therefore, clear to all present that a megawatt scale project on Ragged Mountain in any form would not be solely a "Camden" project.

There was also some discussion of the concern that there is a misunderstanding in some members of the greater community that the Camden Energy Committee is part of a plan to develop wind power on Ragged Mountain. Rick Knowlton and Jeff Lewis agreed to produce a memo to the Selectboard as a preface to the presentation on June 15. The memo would clarify that the committee approached MCCW to help us in our discernment of the mere possibility of finding a viable form for a community wind project. The upcoming presentation by MCCW is the result of one step of that discernment and is not part of any existing plan to develop wind power on Ragged Mountain.

#### **Street lights as an issue for the energy committee**

There was some discussion about how the energy committee should consider the use of street lights in Camden. There seem to be two concerns: one is energy use and one is light pollution. While they are related issues, some on the committee, including Jeff Lewis and Rick Knowlton thought that the

aesthetic and safety issues of street light use are beyond the scope of the committee's charger, but Peter Kalajian believes that unnecessary lighting is in fact an appropriate concern of the committee.

#### **Terms of Energy Committee Members**

Jeff Lewis's and \_\_\_\_\_ present (alternate) terms are up in June. Members wanting to be reappointed should fill out the appropriate paperwork in the Town Office.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.